DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES

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December 1, 2000

CHDP Program Letter No. 00-09

TO: COMMUNITY CHILD HEALTH AND DISABILITY PREVENTION (CHDP)

PROGRAM DIRECTORS, DEPUTY DIRECTORS, AND COUNTY

WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: CHDP SCHOOL REPORTING AND REIMBURSEMENT

REQUIREMENTS FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2000-2001

This letter is to notify you of local program responsibilities required under Health and Safety Code, Section 124100. The following items are enclosed to assist you in satisfying this requirement:

- Two sets of private school peel-off labels;
- A letter addressed to private school administrators;
- A Department of Education (DOE) private/public school print-out;
- A copy of the instruction letter already sent to local superintendents.

LOCAL RESPONSIBILITIES

- 1. Distribute the letter to private school administrators.
 - Attach the label without the school code number on your mailing envelope.
 - b. Place the label with the school code inside the mailing envelope for the administrator to attach to the PM 272.
 - c. Mail instructions to any new schools with first grade enrollment known to exist in your county.
- 2. Contact school district health personnel to ensure that school district reporting instructions from local superintendents have been received.
- 3. Collect completed PM 272 forms by January 15, 2001, from the county office of education, school districts, and private schools which maintain first grades.

- 4. Review PM 272 forms for completeness and accuracy.
 - a. Check PM 272 forms against your DOE public/private school print-out to ensure that all schools and districts have reported, and enter any missing school codes (box 3 on the PM 272).
 - b. Verify that the county office of education reports any children enrolled in (ungraded) special education programs who will be six years of age on or before December 1, 2000. If no children of this age group are enrolled, a zero should be entered on the PM 272 in box 16.
 - c. Verify that the total of items 17-21 equals the amount in box 16.
 - d. Verify whether box 22 is marked YES or NO:
 - If YES: Boxes 9-14 and 16-22 must not have white-out, erasures or cross-outs. Submit the signed original PM 272 and two copies.
 - If NO: Submit only the signed original PM 272.
 - Keep one copy of all reports for your records.
- 5. Submit the PM 272 forms on or before April 15, 2001, to:

Children's Medical Services Branch School Reimbursement Coordinator 714 P Street, Room 398 Sacramento, CA 95814

Your success in carrying out this requirement is evident in the increased number of children receiving health examinations every year. Thank you for your continued efforts.

If you have any questions or require assistance, please feel free to contact Cheryl Wilson at (916) 322-8723.

Original Signed by Maridee Gregory, M.D.

Maridee A. Gregory, M.D., Chief Children's Medical Services Branch

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TO: PRIVATE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS

SUBJECT: CHILD HEALTH AND DISABILITY PREVENTION (CHDP) PROGRAM

SCHOOL REPORTING AND REIMBURSEMENT REQUIREMENTS - SCHOOL YEAR 2000-2001

This letter is to remind you of private school reporting requirements under Health and Safety Code Section 124100. Every private school in California that has children enrolled in first grade must report:

- 1. The total number of children enrolled in first grade.
- 2. The number of children who have a health screening examination certificate.
- 3. The number of children whose parent or guardian have submitted a written waiver.

Reporting requirements are satisfied by submitting the "CHDP Annual School Report" (PM 272) by **January 15, 2001**, to the CHDP program in your local health department.

School health examinations must be completed within 18 months prior to or within 90 days after first grade entry unless the parent signs a waiver stating they do not want, or are unable to obtain, an examination for their child. Schools are encouraged to inform parents of both kindergartners and first graders of the need for the examination.

REPORTING PROCEDURES

To assist you with completing the PM 272, we have compiled a short checklist:

- ◆ To speed processing, affix the enclosed label at the top left of the form. Line out any name and/or address error, and enter the corrections. (If you do not receive a label, please complete by hand).
- ◆ Complete boxes 5-14, including names and data from each reporting school, and sum the district totals in boxes 15-21.
- Be sure to mark whether reimbursement is desired by checking YES or NO in box 22.

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- → If YES: Boxes 9-14 and 16-22 must not have erasures or white-out. Submit the original and three copies to your local CHDP program.
- → If NO: Submit the signed original and one copy to your local county CHDP program.
- If your organization maintains first grade classes in more than one school within a county, report all schools on one form if reimbursement is to be sent to a central address.
- ◆ County Offices of Education are requested to take special care to report any children in (ungraded) special education programs who will be six years-of-age on or before December 1, 2000. If special education programs are maintained where no children of this age group are currently enrolled, enter a zero in box 16.

IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM COORDINATION

Since immunizations and health examinations may be obtained during the 18 months preceding first grade, we encourage schools to promote completion of the health examination and immunizations requirements during kindergarten. Your local CHDP program can assist you in coordinating these activities.

Thank you for your continued efforts to help protect the health of children who attend school. If you have any questions, or require assistance, please contact the CHDP program in your local health department.

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TO: COUNTY SUPERINTENDENTS OF SCHOOLS, SUPERINTENDENTS

OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICTS, HEALTH SERVICES

PERSONNEL, AND COUNTY SCHOOL OFFICES

SUBJECT: CHILD HEALTH AND DISABILITY PREVENTION (CHDP) PROGRAM

SCHOOL REPORTING AND REIMBURSEMENT REQUIREMENTS—SCHOOL YEAR 2000-2001

This letter is to remind you of the school district reporting requirements under Health and Safety Code Section 124100. Every school district that has children enrolled in the first grade must report:

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- Be sure to mark whether reimbursement is desired by checking YES or NO in box 22.
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November 20, 2000

Dear County and District Superintendents of Schools:



MANDATED CHILD HEALTH AND DISABILITY PREVENTION (CHDP) HEALTH EXAMINATION AND ANNUAL REPORT

Every school district and private school that have children enrolled in the first grade are required to report, by January 15 of each year, the number of health screening examination certificates and waivers received from the health screening examination requirement (Section 124100 of the Health and Safety Code). The mandated reporting form, PM 272, "CHDP Annual School Report," and information for completing this form are attached. You may wish to review the reporting requirements now to ensure that your records are compatible with data needs.

The law requires a health examination certificate approved by the Department of Health Services be presented to the school by the parent or guardian within 90 days after the child's entry into the first grade. A waiver form approved by the Department of Health Services—when signed by the child's parent or guardian indicating that for medical reasons or for personal beliefs, the parent or guardian does not want or is unable to obtain screening for the child—shall be accepted by the school in lieu of the certificate (Section 124085 of the Health and Safety Code).

Efforts made at the local level help protect the health of children who attend school. In 1998-99, the compliance rate of first graders receiving a health examination was 92.9 percent, an increase of 1.9 percent from the 1997-98 rate. Through these examinations, correctable health problems that interfere with learning are resolved, and permanent disabilities often are prevented.

The local CHDP program, located in your county department of health, offers assistance to schools in fulfilling the CHDP requirements. Information may be obtained from your local CHDP program about eligibility requirements for free health checkups. Please share this letter with the primary individual responsible for coordinating CHDP activities in your district or county office and report the name of that individual to the local CHDP program official.

If you have any questions, please contact your local county health CHDP program.

Sincerely,

Kathy B. Lewis

Deputy Superintendent

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Child, Youth and Family Services Branch

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Attachments